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DRAFT REPORT OF MAIN COMMITTEE II

Establishment and Terms of Reference

1. Under rule 34 of its Rules of Procedure, the Conference established Main Committee II as one of its three Main Committees and decided to allocate to it the following items for its consideration (NPT/CONF.IV/1):

Item 13: Review of the operation of the Treaty as provided for in its Article VIII (3), as follows:

C. Implementation of the provisions of the Treaty relating to non-proliferation of nuclear weapons, safeguards and nuclear-weapon-free zones:

(1) Article III and preambular paragraphs 4 and 5, especially in their relationship to Article IV and preambular paragraphs 6 and 7.

(2) Articles I and II and preambular paragraphs 1-3 in their relationship to Articles III and IV.

(3) Article VII.

E. Other provisions of the Treaty.

Item 14: Role of the Treaty in the promotion of non-proliferation of nuclear weapons and of nuclear disarmament and in strengthening international peace and security:

A. Acceptance of the Treaty by States.

B. Measures aimed at promoting a wider acceptance of the Treaty.

Officers of the Committee

2. The Conference unanimously elected Ambassador Tadeusz Strulak (Poland) as the Committee's Chairman and Ambassador Hector Villarroel (Philippines) and Mr. Arend Meerburg (Netherlands), as Vice-Chairmen of the Committee.

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3. Documents before the Committee

A. Background documentation

The Committee had before it the following background documentation:

NPT/CONF.IV/12 Activities of the IAEA under Article III of the NPT;

NPT/CONF.IV/13 Activities of the IAEA during the period 1985-90 relevant to Article IV of the NPT;

NPT/CONF.IV/15 Memorandum from the General Secretariat of the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean, prepared for the Fourth Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons;

NPT/CONF.IV/18 Letter dated 17 July 1990 from the Permanent Representatives of Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden addressed to the Provisional Secretary-General of the Fourth Review Conference;

NPT/CONF.IV/19 Information on the implementation by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons;

NPT/CONF.IV/20 United States information pertaining to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, 8 August 1990;

NPT/CONF.IV/21 United Kingdom's implementation of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons 1985-90.

B. Documents containing proposed elements relevant to a final document of the Conference

The following documents were introduced in the Committee:

Documents submitted to the Conference and introduced in Committee II:

NPT/CONF.IV/32/Rev.1 Proposal for inclusion in the final declaration relating to Article III, submitted by Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, Denmark, Finland, German Democratic Republic, Germany, Federal Republic of, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Sweden, Switzerland, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Documents submitted to and introduced in Main Committee II:

NPT/CONF.IV/MC.II/WP.1	Working paper containing suggested elements for final document language on Article III, submitted by Australia, Austria, Canada, Denmark, Finland, Ireland, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden.
NPT/CONF.IV/MC.II/WP.2	Working paper containing proposed final document language relating to safeguards in nuclear-weapon States, submitted by Australia, Austria, Canada, Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, Denmark, Finland, Hungary, Ireland, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden.
NPT/CONF.IV/MC.II/WP.3	Working paper containing a proposed formulation of final declaration language relevant to Article VII, submitted by Democratic People's Republic of Korea.
NPT/CONF.IV/MC.II/WP.4	Working paper containing suggested final document language on Article VII: South Pacific nuclear free zone Treaty, submitted by Australia and New Zealand.
NPT/CONF.IV/MC.II/WP.5	Working paper containing proposed final document language on Article VII, submitted by Nigeria.
NPT/CONF.IV/MC.II/WP.6	Working paper containing proposed final document language relating to the conditions of nuclear supply (full scope safeguards) and the conclusion of safeguards agreements, submitted by Australia, Austria, Canada, Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, Hungary, Indonesia, Ireland, Japan, Malaysia, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Peru, Poland, Republic of Korea, Romania, Sweden, Yugoslavia.

NPT/CONF.IV/MC.II/WP.7	Working paper containing a proposal for inclusion in the final declaration on regional nuclear disarmament, submitted by Egypt.
NPT/CONF.IV/MC.II/WP.8	Working paper containing proposed final document language related to Article III, submitted by Hungary, Italy, Poland and Yugoslavia.
NPT/CONF.IV/MC.II/WP.9	Working paper containing proposed final document language relating to Article X, submitted by Mexico.
NPT/CONF.IV/MC.II/WP.10	Working paper containing proposed final document language relevant to Article X, submitted by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.
NPT/CONF.IV/MC.II/WP.11	Working paper containing suggested elements for final document language on Article III, submitted by the Islamic Republic of Iran.

C. In addition, a number of informal conference room papers were introduced in Main Committee II by:

- Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines and Thailand containing a proposal relating to Article VII of the NPT;
- Canada, Hungary, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland proposing final document language on special inspections and information policy;
- Mexico, proposing language for final declaration on Article VII of the NPT;
- Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Peru, Sri Lanka and Venezuela, proposing language for final declaration on Article III of the NPT;
- Republic of Korea, proposing final document language on Article III of the NPT;
- Republic of Korea, containing suggested elements for final document relating to Article VII of the NPT.

The statement by the Chairman of the Main Committee II, Ambassador Tadeusz Strulak, at the Committee's first meeting on 24 August 1990, was also distributed as an informal conference room paper.

Work of the Committee

4. The Committee held ... meetings from 24 August to 5 September 1990; its discussions are summarized in documents NPT/CONF.IV/MC.II/SR.1-SR..... The Committee also carried out informal consultations during that period. The Chairman of the Committee was assisted by the Vice-Chairmen in co-ordinating the informal consultations convened to examine various proposals and documents submitted to the Committee. After an item-by-item consideration of the agenda items allocated to it, the Committee, both at its formal and informal meetings, proceeded to a detailed discussion of the proposals and documents before it; the results of the discussions are outlined in paragraphs 5-... below. Furthermore, the various views expressed and proposals made are reflected in the summary records of the Committee and in the working papers submitted to it. Those summary records and working papers form an integral part of the report of the Committee to the Conference.

Conclusions and Recommendations

5. The Committee agreed on the following formulations for the Final Document/Declaration of the Conference: